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Title: TREATMENT OF INFLAMMATORY DISEASE

**RENEWED RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION. 37 CFR §1.116. and
REQUEST TO RE-SET TIME LIMITS****Mail Stop AF**

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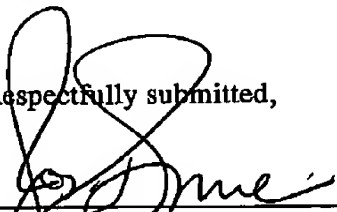
Applicants' undersigned counsel was contacted today (July 9, 2003) by Examiner Roark, who asked whether Applicant had filed a response to the Final Office Action dated December 16, 2002 in the above-identified matter. As evidenced by the attached response and the USPTO date-stamped filing receipt therefor, Applicants did file a response on March 14, 2003. As evidenced by the date-stamped filing receipt, Applicants' response was received in the USPTO mail room on March 19, 2003.

Because the response was safely received by the USPTO, and then subsequently misplaced without any fault on the part of the Applicants, Applicants respectfully request: (1) that the attached Response After Final be entered into the case and considered on the merits; and (2) that Applicants' time-period for further response to the Office (should one be required) be re-set.

CONCLUSION

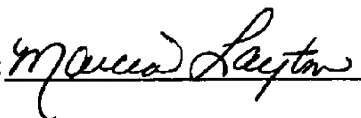
Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for allowance. Early notification of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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